

SOUTHERN CO

Form 3

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FORM 3**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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response... 0.5**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

STORY SUSAN N

(Last) (First) (Middle)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30308

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

09/02/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SOUTHERN CO [SO]4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer ☐ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
President & CEO, Gulf Power5. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)6. Individual or Joint/Group
Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting
Person
☐ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Southern Company Common Stock

458.0877

D

A

Southern Company Common Stock

5,326.3635

I

401(K)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially
owned directly or indirectly.

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currently valid OMB control number.****Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**1. Title of Derivative
Security
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option Right to Buy	02/18/2006	02/18/2015	Southern Company Common Stock	38,529	\$ 32.7	D	Â
Option Right to Buy	02/20/2007	02/20/2016	Southern Company Common Stock	41,329	\$ 33.81	D	Â
Option Right to Buy	02/19/2008	02/19/2017	Southern Company Common Stock	43,472	\$ 36.42	D	Â
Option Right to Buy	02/18/2009	02/18/2018	Southern Company Common Stock	43,406	\$ 35.78	D	Â
Phantom Stock Units	Â (1)	Â (1)	Southern Company Common Stock	7,954.8913	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STORY SUSAN N 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD ATLANTA, GA 30308	Â	Â	Â President & CEO, Gulf Power	Â

Signatures

Patricia AL. Roberts, Attorney-in-Fact for Susan N.
Story 09/04/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Includes phantom stock units acquired as if reinvested in the dividend reinvestment plan. There is no exercise or expiration date.

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